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Applicants: Linda B. Buck and Richard Axel

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Mail Stop AF

Sir:

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER'S DECISION TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board from the decision of the Examiner mailed August 14, 2003 finally rejecting pending claims 1-8, 13-24, 64 and 65 in connection with the above-identified application. The required fee for filing a Notice of Appeal under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b) is ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$165.00) for a small entity and a check for this amount is enclosed. Applicants are concurrently filing a request for a three-month extension of time, making this application pending on February 14, 2004. Accordingly, this Notice of Appeal is being timely filed.

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No fee, other than the enclosed \$165.00 fee for filing a Notice of Appeal, is deemed necessary. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited this date with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents

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